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According to the Supreme Court, we are almost without law.

If the present jury law is unconstitutional, how about that part of the work already done towards providing for juries during the present year?

By the grace of congress, ninety thousand dollars have been appropriated for government expenses and floor space at the Charleston exposition. This helps the exposition.

Notwithstanding the decision of the Supreme Court, there are some members of the present legislature who seem disposed to indulge in the doubtful pastime of special legislation.

It augurs well for the people of South Carolina that the Supreme Court of our State, with full appreciation of their import offices, declare the law by the strict measure of the constitution.

The movement to cut off a part of Marion county for the purpose of establishing a new county has been killed by a decisive vote, and the expenses of the election and agitation will fall on the proposed new county people.

From day to day one can almost feel the tightening of the purse strings as they are drawn by the hands of prudence and economy at the beginning of this year when most men are determined to do their best, through hard work and judicious saving, to meet the conditions imposed by a most disappointing year preceding.

A general county government law—one that leaves local questions with local authorities with full power to act—subject however to the inalienable right of appeal, would solve the greater part of the trouble now on us through special legislation.

One by one, the wild-cat schemes to get money without work are falling through. The "get rich quick" idea doesn't hold good under the rules of plain business. The pity is that some deserving people have been made victims of misplaced confidence.

The Virginia Carolina Chemical Company against which Attorney General Bellinger has brought suit for annulment of charter contends that the South Carolina anti-trust law is in contravention of the federal constitution, and has applied for the removal of the case from the state to federal court.

The most effective public reformer is that which does its work through the pocket book, considering that class of infractions of law usually termed petty. If the penalty in minor cases were made heavier, the magistrates would have less occasion to exercise their criminal jurisdiction.

The irrepressible re-districting bill bobs up serenely this year, as heretofore. Now, it is proposed to place Pickens county in a district to be known as "Keowee," along with Oconee, Greenville, Anderson and Abbeville. There is more of politics than wisdom in some of the suggestions about this matter.

The petty jealousies of northern people are still apparent when any legislation is proposed in congress looking to the advancement of southern interests. The long discussed canal project gives abundant evidence of this fact, but the canal has almost become a necessity and will be built, eventually, making one great step towards the development of the South in the line of transportation possibilities.

If a legislative act, purporting to validate the work done under an unconstitutional act, is invalid, then the juries already drawn the work already done, in place of the unconstitutional law, is invalid, and the legis has no power to cure the defect by the passage of a law that is constitutional, and to be done must be "done, and 'twere well."

That, through congress, ninety thousand dollars of government money have been made available in aid of a government exhibit at Charleston is a settled fact, but it will take about forty stump arguments in the next campaign to determine with any degree of conviction which gentleman representing South Carolina in congress has been most influential in obtaining it. It appears, at long distance, that certain members of the lower branch of that body had about as much to do in finally securing this material aid as did any claimant for that honor in the senate.

Governor McSwain's message was a fairly able document dealing with the questions of public concern and emphasizing the necessity of the exercise of care and prudence in the enactment of laws and levies for the expenses of the government. He seeks to impress the legislators with the serious condition that confronts the agricultural people of the State, through short crops and low prices, and urges conservatism in appropriations of money. He points out the enormous growth of manufactures and suggests the dangers to the people that might arise through combinations of capital and the necessity of seeing to it that they are made to bear their proportionate share of the public burdens. Education comes in for its share of attention and good words and drainage have his full endorsement. It is an excellent summary of the State's needs from the lawmakers standpoint and altogether a good paper.

What is the cause of the comparative falling off in that good old custom once obtaining amongst the country folk, of visiting with their neighbors? Have conditions been revolutionized to such an extent as to work this corresponding change with the people? The time was when every community felt an association of interests that held them compactly, and strengthened the force and influence of any movement that looked to the good of the community. Now, to all appearances, the rule is: each man for himself, the neighbor will take care of himself. It isn't because of social differences, nor is it due to personal interest that each man is drawing himself more and more within the circumference of his own domain, but it strikes an observer that perhaps the reason for this seeming self isolation from his neighbor lies in the fact of increased facilities for transmission of news through newspapers, delivered by due course of tri-weekly or daily mails, that bring the information that was once transmitted by "word of mouth" to the busy man, and the good old custom, once so strong a factor in the union of all rural communities, has become almost obsolete. Verily progress changes old custom.

Each year's experience confirms the correctness of the proposition that successful farming the farming that pays from a pecuniary standpoint and in other ways, as well—must be conducted on an economic basis in which the element of what is technically called "the intensive plan" enters largely. There is no money, and certainly no attraction to the farmer in trying to cultivate a large area with a loose soil for the purpose of cultivation of only three or four crops a year. It takes more supplies, in the long run, to cultivate a large crop, and do it poorly, than to attend properly to a reasonable amount of land and do it well, and result have demonstrated over and over that as much can be made on half the land now generally allotted, as a horse crop by giving to it an amount of fertilization and work now usually given to a "full sized" crop. There is the advantage also that in times of stress in wet seasons during the period of cultivation and in threatening weather at gathering time—the work necessary to be done under penalty of immediate loss can be accomplished without the disproportionate outlay for extra help. Besides, poor cultivation results in poorer lands. The most successful farmer is the one who plants a just proportion to his resources through cultivation and takes to his calculations a just regard to the demands of his lands in a way of constant improvements, so lands respond freely to good cultivation and this is impossible for the farmer "overcrops."

A NEW BOOK.

Mr. Wm. P. Calhoun, of Greenville, S. C., a lawyer of ability and a gentleman of deep thought has just completed a book entitled "The Caucasian and the Negro." It purports to deal with the race question from an impartial standpoint, sparing neither criticism nor praise where either is due. Mr. Calhoun is an earnest student, logical and concise and has evidently given much thought to this question which is one of the problems uppermost in the thoughts of all good southern people interested in the welfare of their section. The book ought to be widely read, and if the author's solution of the problem proves practicable and meets the approval of intelligent business and social judgment to such an extent as to bring about a cooperation of effort to alleviate the strained relations now existing between the races, Mr. Calhoun will have done a lasting service to his country.

Direct from the Legislature.

The House of Representatives and the Senate in accordance with the State Constitution met at 12 o'clock on Tuesday the 14th inst. Everything indicates that this is to be the most interesting session since the passage of the constitution of 1895. It seems to be a settled fact that the body will not tolerate anything that has the least appearance of a local or special act. This of course was brought about by the recent decisions of our Supreme Court declaring unconstitutional the jury law and parts of county government law. So far as the jury law is concerned it seems that there will be no trouble in getting a bill through on this subject which will give satisfaction to the entire state, but when we attempt to enact a county government law to operate the same in every county of the state many difficulties present themselves, and I feel quite sure all the counties will not be satisfied no matter what law on this subject is enacted.

The usual routine of silly and useless measures have been introduced, many of which, it seems to us, are presented merely because they are regarded as "popular" measures when their authors will know them to be impracticable and useless.

There is an effort being made by the Pickens delegation to put our county on a cash basis and pay all past indebtedness without raising the present levy. It looks now in fact that we will be able to reduce the levy for this year one half mill or one mill lower than it was last year.

Most of the business of both houses up to the present has been routine and very few measures have passed both houses yet.

The election of judges for the several vacancies is to be held Friday of this week. In the first circuit Mr. Burke from Charleston who was a candidate, it is reported has withdrawn; this leaves the field to Mr. Charlie Dantzler who is indeed a fine man and will, we think, make a good judge. There are three gentlemen after Judge Buchanan's place and nobody can say now how it will terminate.

Columbia is filled with politicians getting themselves in trim for the race next summer. Everything now indicates that the field will be full of candidates for State offices.

"Some time ago my daughter caught a cold," she complained of pains in her chest and had a bad cough. I gave her Chamberlain's Cough Remedy according to directions and in two days she was well and able to go to school. I have used this remedy in my family for the past seven years and have never known it to fail," says James Proctor, merchant, Annapolis, Md. The pains in the chest indicated an approaching attack of pneumonia, which in this instance was not only averted, but the child was cured. Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. It counteracts any tendency of a cold toward pneumonia. Sold by G. W. Earle Druggist.

W. L. Sargent and Nick Miller, prominent farmers of Orangeburg county, had a shooting scrape the 14th instant about a trespassing cow, in which the former was shot three times with a pistol and is not expected to recover.

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I have a few words to say regarding Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. It saved my little boy's life and I feel that I cannot praise it enough. I bought a bottle of it from A. E. Steere of Goodwin, S. D., and when I got home with the poor boy could hardly breathe. I gave the medicine as directed every ten minutes until he "drew up" and then I thought sure he was going to choke to death. We had to pull the phlegm out of his mouth in great strings. I felt positive that if I had not got that bottle of cough medicine, my boy would not be on earth today.—J. D. Dixon, Inwood, Iowa. For sale by G. W. Earle Druggist.

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FACTS IN FEW LINES

In France duels are most frequent in winter; in Italy, in the spring.

The exports of Canada increased from \$105,440,244 in 1895 to \$195,641,833 in 1901.

It is said that \$9,000,000 will be needed for the repair of our warships during the next fiscal year.

If the sea were emptied, and the world's rivers had to roll it, it would take them 40,000 years to do so.

A blue book recently issued shows that the postal department of the British Isles employs 173,000 persons.

Over 5,000 motor carriages and 1,100 motor cycles are accounted for on the registry books of the Paris police.

The latest society fad among the fashionable women in England is that of being photographed as a moving picture.

The lord mayor of London receives a salary of £10,000 a year and has to spend twice that sum to maintain the dignity of his position.

Of late there has developed among the native Hawaiians, especially among the younger men, a desire to engage in a seafaring life.

Thousands of apparatuses for making coffee have been invented. The patent office is packed with pots, etc., some of which cost \$25 apiece.

The last American camel died in southwestern Arizona a few weeks ago. The camels came to the United States from Egypt and Smyrna in 1857.

A number of automobile lorries are being made in Brussels for use in the Congo Free State. Each of them will do the work of sixty-five native carriers.

Hungarian vineyard owners are rejoiced at the routing of the phylloxera, and they expect soon to be shipping their fiery wines to all parts of the world again.

The establishment in Rome of an American library has been ordered by royal decree. It will contain all publications relating to the new world since its discovery.

Barlow pens have been used in India for over a hundred years. They are made like the ordinary quill pen and for a few hours' writing are said to be very serviceable.

A Harvard professor has discovered what he considers the remains of an extinct volcano at Schuylerville, N. Y., a small country place already famous in American history.

The ocean used to be considered about as deep at its deepest as the highest mountains are high. It has now been proved to be half as deep again—that is, 46,236 feet.

According to a French army paper, suicide is more common in the French army than in any other in Europe. Of the annual death rate in all branches of the service suicide accounts for 5 percent.

Shocking accounts have been received at Cracow of wholesale flogging of Polish children by Prussian schoolmasters for refusing to learn the catechism and prayers in German in Wrzesnia.

Chicago is making a specialty of sending through the mails envelopes fastened with buckles. The buckles are of white enamel and old gold. They take the place of a gummed flap and a seal.

According to the Pall Mall Gazette, the British workman has almost abandoned his clay pipe and shag in favor of the twopenny packet of cigarettes with a portrait of a favorite actress or khaki clad general given.

Avalanches are so common in Switzerland that devices are now being made to control them. The Swiss form earthenworks or intrenchments which are pointed in such a fashion that avalanches coming in contact with them are split and so driven aside.

A society called the Fan an Elven has been formed at Dunganon for the purpose of endeavoring to check the heavy exodus from Ireland. Members have taken an oath to remain in the Emerald Isle and to do their utmost in support of home industries.

Coblenz has built for itself a fine concert hall and will hold a musical festival in it next spring. Mayence will also be festive after the same manner in honor of the three composers, Wagner, Liszt and Wagner, with Wein-gartner as conductor. Four concerts are decided on.

Mr. Scarsbrook of Grune Hall, England, has offered to pay for the instruction of all the fishermen in that village in the art of swimming. Lancashire fishermen have a strong prejudice against learning to swim, believing that thereby the agencies of drowning are greatly increased.

There are between 8,000 and 10,000 lawyers in Chicago—that is to say, there are between 8,000 and 10,000 men in the city who have studied law and are admitted to practice. Of this number, however, only 4,500 to 5,000, or about 50 per cent, are following their profession. The other 4,000 or 5,000 are in the ranks of trade.

The Lincoln park commissioners of Chicago have authorized the erection in the park of a monument to the memory of David Kennison, who is declared to have been the only soldier of the Revolution who went from Illinois, returned to Illinois and lies buried in Illinois—in fact, in that park. A boulder properly inscribed will probably be placed over his grave. The Sons of the Revolution will bear the cost.

A Newark (N. J.) woman has a collection of 1,500 pitchers, no two of which are alike. They are of every shape and color under the sun and have been picked up in all the odd nooks and corners of the world. One of them was obtained at the little store that Dickens immortalized as "the old curio shop." The whole 1,500 are on exhibition in the rooms of the New Jersey Historical society.

A GOOD RECOMMENDATION.

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